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Applicant: Martin et al.
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RELIABILITY IN DISK DRIVES EMPLOYING PADDED
SLIDERS
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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Amend the following claims:

1 22. (Amended) The disk drive of claim 20 wherein the pitch static attitude is
2 approximately negative two degrees.

1 34. (Amended) The disk drive of claim 31 wherein the pitch static attitude is
2 approximately negative two degrees.